

**Edgefield Advertiser.****Save Your State Coupons.**

Please save your State coupons subscriptions and renewals for me, you will find a box for receiving coupons at either the drug stores or Smith-Marsh's store. Send subscriptions to me at Johnston, S. C., or give to Dr. Marsh or save until I can see you. Your kindness will be appreciated. Thanking you very much.

Theodore Marsh.

**Now With Southern.**

Our young friend Manly Dobson is employed at a good salary by the Southern railroad as auditor or ticket collector. He is now running between Atlanta and Birmingham but is liable to be given another assignment at any time. It is the policy of the railroads to change the "runs" of the collectors practically every week. Manly spent two weeks in Washington studying the duties of auditor before going actively to work.

**Self Explanatory Letter From Congressman Byrnes.**

Editor Edgefield Advertiser:

I am today directing the Department of Agriculture to send to your address 200 packages of vegetable seed, and will appreciate it if you will be kind enough to distribute them to those people in Edgefield county who may call for them. I do this because there may be some people in the county who have not yet received any, and they are entitled to them.

With best wishes, I am,  
Yours very truly,  
James F. Byrnes.

**Death of Mr. Stevens.**

Last Friday morning Mr. Feb. Stevens died at his home two miles above Meeting Street. Several years ago he was stricken with paralysis which caused a permanent disability. About ten days ago he suffered a second stroke from which he never rallied. The burial took place Saturday afternoon at Stevens Creek church.

Mr. Stevens served for a short time in the Confederate army, being too young to enlist when the war began. He was a good neighbor and faithful friend—large hearted and generous by nature. He was quiet, law-abiding and never spoke ill of anyone.

Mr. Stevens leaves his wife, three daughters, Mrs. Elijah Timmerman, Mrs. A. A. Hall and Mrs. Pierce Ouzts, and two sons, Samuel and William Stevens.

**School Petitions Largely Signed.**

Two petitions are being circulated among the freeholders of the Edgefield school district asking the county board of education to order an election to vote upon the question of levying three mills additional on all property for school purposes and also to order an election for the purpose of establishing a high school, under the high school act. These petitions have been very largely signed and it is practically certain that at the earliest possible moment elections will be ordered. Public sentiment is so strongly in favor of establishing the high school and of providing additional funds with which to run the free school there is no doubt that the elections will be carried in favor of the school. We have never seen the business men and patrons generally more thoroughly united upon any question than they are upon the matter of improving the public school advantages of Edgefield.

**"All a Mistake" Called Off.**

[Reported From Trenton.]

In our own little human strength and with only human foresight, we said positively to our friends last week that "All a Mistake" would be played again, but, "Man proposes, and God disposes" so we say to you now, this play will not be given any more.

We thank the Edgefield press sincerely for the interest and kindness they have shown us and for the warm, cordial invitation to play in Edgefield—we appreciate it all deeply. And too, we remember the interest and lovely invitations from scores of others outside the press.

To those of Trenton, Johnston, Edgefield and elsewhere who greeted us on the evening of the fourth, we like you for it—you were a lovely, jolly audience, generous with applause and praise, and if nothing unforeseen happens, and we carry out our plans, when we "appear before the footlights" immediately after Easter, in a new play, we hope to see every one of you in your same place or a more comfortable one. So in the words of our now famous Ferdie Light-head of "All a Mistake," "See you sooner, see you later, you know, doncher know."

**Old Reliable Brands.**

If you want fertilizers that are in every way dependable, fertilizers that make large yields of cotton and corn, use the brands that are made by the Georgia Chemical Works. Their goods have been used by hundreds of farmers in this county year after year for a long time. Their brands have been thoroughly tested and always bring satisfactory results. The Georgia Chemical Works are represented here by the Edgefield Mercantile Company. See them before you place your contracts for the year.

**Y. W. A. Entertainment.**

The young people of the town spent several hours very pleasantly at the home of Mr. Arthur Tompkins Friday night. The members of the Young Woman's Auxiliary gave an entertainment in order to raise money for their treasury, realizing the sum of \$10. In addition to several vocal and instrumental selections, a pleasing feature of entertainment was the writing of valentines—some comic and others decidedly sentimental. After all of the valentines were collected the young people assembled in the parlor and requested Mr. Tompkins to read them aloud. The personal references to some of the young men present that were contained in the original valentines provoked much laughter. After reading all of the valentines, Mr. Tompkins, in behalf of the hostess, presented Miss Annie Darlington, an honored visitor in Edgefield, with a box of beautiful japonicas.

The young ladies, assisted by Mrs. A. E. Padgett, served a delicious salad course with coffee and whipped cream.

**Letter From Edgefield Graded School.**

Editor Edgefield Advertiser: As only one letter from the Edgefield graded school has been written to your paper the other schools in the county may have forgotten the fact that there is an Edgefield graded school. We appreciate very much your kindness in allowing us space enough to tell them about it.

Our school house is situated on a little knoll; around it is the playground on which beautiful trees are growing. Under the trees are benches on which we sit to study, to play game, and tell stories at recess. On each side of the steps is a little flower bed, making things seem brighter and more home like. A little brook runs by the play ground on whose banks pretty ferns and wild violets lift their heads to the bright sunshine. Behind the school house is a little store in which school necessities, fruit, candy, home-made cake and other things are kept.

The interior of the school room is very pretty and comfortable. The lower window sashes are painted green so we can't look out and thus let our minds wander from our lessons.

The walls are dotted here and there with pictures, some of English and American poets, which, glancing at, cause us to think the beautiful poems they wrote during their lives; and others of our most noted generals, which bring to mind the brave and heroic deeds they did for our country's sake.

Over the windows are beautiful ferns and geraniums, which with the smile of our teachers make us work with a will. Our teachers are very kind. They do not rule us with the rod as was the custom when our mothers and fathers were school children, but rule us with love.

In one corner of the room we have an art exhibit. All of the best drawings are put on a green background. In another corner is a museum which consists of different kinds of rock, silkworms and many other things.

On Valentines day we had in our room a valentine box that afforded great pleasure to all of the children and teachers. As we came in we put our valentines in a pretty red box trimmed in hearts. At the close of school the box was opened and the valentines handed out. We also read compositions about the origin of Valentine's day, many of which were very interesting.

We begin the morning exercise by singing familiar hymns by the music of an organ with one pedal, borrowed books from over at the college.

For the past week or two we have taken an especial interest in physical geography. We have been making observations, such as watching the directions in which the clouds move, noting if there is any dew on cloudy nights, if so where most is found. We have an honor roll for those who make the most observations.

The janitor has taught us a lesson which we are trying to follow. He comes in on tiptoes, thus keeping down much unnecessary noise. Next month we are to have an entertainment at the college for the bene-

fit of our school. We hope all our friends will be present as it is going to be good.

Ruth Lyon.

**Senator Nicholson a Busy Man.**

The editor of The Advertiser had a short conversation with Senator B. E. Nicholson while in Edgefield Monday morning. He has been working hard since the legislature convened. Mr. Nicholson hopes to secure the passage of his measure providing a safeguard for primary elections, which is one of the most important matters that has been brought to the attention of the lawmakers. Mr. Nicholson has also introduced a bill requiring insurance companies to invest a part of their earnings in this state. If such a law had been enacted 25 years ago, the resources of our state would have been developed far beyond what they are to-day. Mr. Nicholson has another bill which provides for a state board of examiners for teachers, the purpose being to raise the standard of the teachers in the public schools of the state. This should also become a law. A great need throughout the state is a higher standard in our public schools.

Mr. Nicholson was unable to say when the legislature will adjourn sine die. He returned to Columbia Monday afternoon.

**Sand Rock School.**

Dear Advertiser: It has begun to look like winter again after two weeks of real spring weather.

Mrs. R. L. Rountree is our teacher for this term.

Miss Beulah Corley has returned to Greenwood after three week's stay with home folks and friends. We are glad to know Mrs. C. C. Pental is improving after several week's illness.

Miss Maggie Winn is at home for a few days visit from the S. C. C. I. with relatives and friends.

Mr. W. A. Reynolds has returned home after a few days traveling.

Misses Cleo and Mattie Lou Coleman and Lillie Mayson spent a very pleasant day with Miss Elizabeth Sullivan last fourth Sunday.

The farmers that visited the Columbia exposition from our community were Messrs. George Jordan, J. K. Corley and R. L. Rountree.

Miss Nettie Seigler spent last Saturday night and Sunday with her cousin, Miss Cleo Coleman.

Mrs. W. L. Winn, Mrs. L. M. Jordan and Miss Clara Jordan were the guests of their sister Mrs. George Jordan last Sunday.

Callison, S. C. School Girl.

**Letter From Flat Rock School.**

Good morning Mr. Mims and cousins all: Now, if you will excuse me I will write on this subject "Work." All know work is our life. We all have to work in one way or another, for without it nothing can be accomplished. It takes work and a lot of it to keep this old world going. All that is great in man came through work. Of course there are people who die of idleness, don't you?

Life is too short to spend it in idleness and really I don't believe an idle person is ever happy. We were placed on this beautiful earth to work and to try and make others happy. There are so many ways we can help to make the world better, and our lives of more use. We can't all do big things, but there are many little things that we can do and it is the little things that count; so cousins don't waste our precious time.

"Work for the night is coming." Over and over the great wheels turn, evening, twilight and morning sun, what reward has our labor won?

Mr. Mims, I was in hopes when I started my letter I could give you a nice one, but my heart almost breaks, for since I started it the news has just reached us that a true friend of ours is dead Mr. Jones Etheredge, and just a week before his dear lady, cousin Eliza Bassey was buried.

Mr. John Cosey spent the day at my home last week, also Mr. Lamb. Come again.

Cousins our school is invited to a Valentine party. You all must think of us and we will let you hear from it.

Next Sunday the singing will be at uncle Pickens and he is going to help sing.

It is so dark and dreary I must close for this time.

Clod Breaker.

**Notice to Stock Raisers.**

Castrating done by safest and best method. Horses and mules \$5 each, also dehorning 50 cents each. Anyone wishing me notify me at Pleasant Lane.

J. C. Buzhardt.

# The Corner Store's Special Shoe Offering is Now On!

Values \$2, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50, to go at the one price of \$1.69 pair, cash only

This is a sale of broken lots in which you will find many good values. Look them over, winter will be with us a long time yet and you may need a pair later on.

## THE CORNER STORE

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Fertilizers and Fertilizer Materials  
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Call and see Mr. R. C. Padgett or Mr. A. E. Padgett.

## Our New Delivery Service

This Store Has Engaged the Services of a New Delivery Man

to take the goods to our patrons on rural routes His name is UNCLE SAM. He is the world's leading expert in his line. He gets there with the goods. He is careful and honest. He begins work with us on February 1st.

In other words, on the first of February we are going to avail ourselves of our privileges under the new Parcels Post and send you goods from our Store by Mail. Buy whatever you want in our complete line of Hardware, Cutlery, Tools and House Furnishing Goods—anything at all that does not exceed 11 pounds in weight and we will send it to you by rural free delivery. The service won't cost you a cent. WE PAY THE POSTAGE.

Many times you have wished that you could telephone the store for a thing and have it delivered. Well, you can hereafter, if you live on a rural route. Call us up early in the morning and the goods will reach you the same day.

Stewart and Kernaghan